



# The Accreditation Council of Oncology in Europe (ACOE)

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# Council representatives

## European Societies for:

- Medical Oncology (ESMO)
- Surgical Oncology (ESSO)
- Therapeutic Radiology (ESTRO)
- Cancer Research (EACR)
- School of Oncology (ESO)

- Research and Treatment of Cancer (EORTC)
- Neuro-Oncology (EANO)
- Paediatric Oncology (SIOPE)
- Breast Cancer Specialists (EUSOMA)



# ACOE questionnaire

- Brief description of the event
- What percentage of the audience will be local, regional, national, international
- Specialty of intended participants
- What teaching methods will be used
- What are the most important planned learning outcomes



# ACOE questionnaire

- Identification of Committee members involved in organising the event
- What procedure for evaluation will be used to find out whether learning outcomes have been achieved
- Is there a participation fee
- Has the event received any other financial support

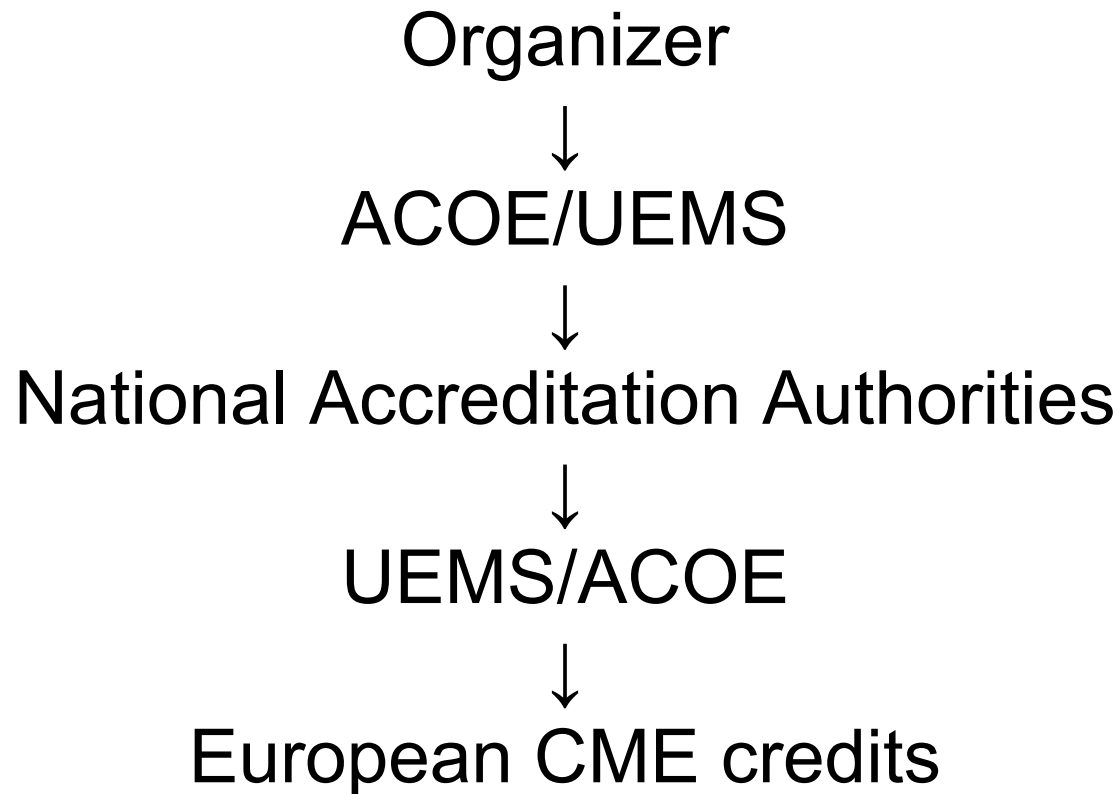


# ACOE Evaluation criteria

- Is the educational value of this event clear
- Is the event appropriate for the intended participants
- Is the organisational structure sound
- Do the organisers have an appropriate evaluation procedure
- Do type and level of sponsorship suggest that the event serves a clear cut promotional purpose



# Accreditation of Oncology CME events in Europe





# Benefits

- ACOE accreditation label provides delegates with a guarantee of high quality and unbiased educational event
- ACOE accredited events are awarded 1 CME credit per educational hour, with a maximum of 3 credits per half day and maximum 6 credits per day
- ACOE works in conjunction with the UEMS EACCME for the validation of CME credits as European CME Credits (ECMEC)



# Accreditation e-learning Why?

- ACOE believes e-learning CME activities are complementary to CME events
  - accessible to those who cannot participate in congresses
  - Preferred by the younger generation
- Recent ACOE survey shows that 17 EU Member States accept e-learning as valid to collect CME credits
- ACOE accredits web-based CME materials



# CME e-learning accreditation

- Same criteria as for live CME events
- In addition:
  - Providers must include a self-evaluation instrument for users to test their learning outcomes
  - The accreditation of the material is valid for a period of 2 years
  - 1 educational hour = 1 credit (min 1 credit per activity)



# e-learning accreditation

- e-learning CME material generated from a live event must be the subject of a separate application but the same Councillors will be designated to evaluate the quality
- Electronic application for e-learning CME material soon on [www.acoe.be](http://www.acoe.be)



**Thank you**

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